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PACKER WORKERS  
TO FIGHT TO LASTWill Resist Proposed Cut  
of Wages for 200,000  
to 'Last Ditch'

## A CONFERENCE CALLED

Employees to Meet in Omaha  
March 9 and 10 to Talk  
Situation Over

## RESENT 10-HOUR DAY PLAN

Return to That System to Be  
Contested; Packer Lawyer  
Outlines PositionCHICAGO, March 4.—"Charging  
that the packers are preparing to  
reduce wages of their 200,000 em-  
ployees throughout the country,  
punchhouse employees here today  
passed a call for a national confer-  
ence of punchhouse workers to be  
held in Omaha March 9 and 10.The meeting, it is stated, "will  
take such action as will protect the  
interests of the employees, in view  
of the recent withdrawal of the  
packers from the wartime arbitra-  
tion agreement."In a statement issued by Dennis  
Lace, president of the Amalgamated  
Meat Cutting and Butcher Workmen  
of America, it was charged that the  
evolution of the agreement was a  
violation of the packers' pact with  
the government for the settlement  
of any disputes with their employees.  
"Already the 'big five' packers  
have ordered the small packers in  
a number of cities to announce a  
reduction of wages and a return to  
the 10-hour work day," the state-  
ment says, "and as a result there  
are now strikes in Wheeling, W. Va.,  
Mason City, Iowa, Winona, Minn.,  
and Sioux Falls, S. D."Mr. Lace said that he had one re-  
quest of a wage reduction of 10, 15  
and 20 per cent and the restoration  
of the 10-hour work day and declared  
that the employees would "resist to  
the last ditch a reduction in wages  
and a return to the 10-hour work  
day."The agreement was entered into  
solely as a wartime emergency  
measure and so relies on its face,"  
said Paul Meyer, attorney for the  
packers. "When the proposals to  
renew it for a year after the ending  
of the war were made and agreed  
to in April, 1919, it was contem-  
plated by all parties, including the  
workers, that the year would have  
expired long since."The packers are now seriously  
considering the present industrial  
situation for the purpose of deter-  
mining all questions in connection  
therewith."City in Panama Falls  
Into Costa Ricans' HandsSAN JUAN DEL SUR, Nicaragua,  
March 4.—Guahito, lying northwest  
of Bocas del Toro, in Panama, was  
surrendered by Costa Rican forces early  
today. The Panamanians retired to-  
ward Bocas del Toro, leaving behind  
a dead and many wounded.PANAMA, March 4.—Military  
preparations for war against Pan-  
ama are being rushed by the gov-  
ernment of Costa Rica, it is said in  
newspapers reaching this city from  
San Jose. Predictions are made that  
under arms before the end of the  
present week and states the steamer  
Roxana is ready for sailing from  
Punta Arenas to Golfo Dulce, on the  
Pacific coast of the frontier, with  
1,000 soldiers, 10 cannon and 15  
machine guns.

## WHOLE TOWN IS HIJACKED

Dozen Victims in Little Town of  
Burbank Locked in a Boxcar.PORTLAND, Ore., March 4.—Four  
hundred men hijacked practically  
the entire town of Burbank in west-  
ern Idaho county last night and got  
away with something over \$300,000.  
King of the Santa Fe railway  
a boxcar at the Santa Fe railway  
station, one man stood guard at  
each end while the other three would  
go up into the car and frisk him.  
They worked quietly without alarm-  
ing other citizens and then made  
their getaway successfully.Germans Preparing Reply.  
LONDON, March 4.—Awaiting  
a reply from Berlin as to whether  
the German foreign secretary  
proposes to the German experts are  
preparing a reply to some of the  
arguments used by Premier Lloyd  
George in delivering the allied uti-  
limatum yesterday.New Chairs  
For OldThere is a ready market  
for used furniture. You  
can sell the discarded ar-  
rangement and use this money  
to purchase new.Just list the furniture you  
wish to dispose of. Phone  
your ad to the Tulsa World.  
You'll quickly find buyers  
and be able to get new  
chairs and other furniture  
for old.

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## Forward, America!

The Nation's New Creed Is Shown  
In Excerpts From Harding Address(The following excerpts from President Harding's inauguration address  
are high lights of the message, the complete text of which is given on  
page 2 of this issue of The World.)"The recorded progress of our republic, materially and spiritually in  
itself proves the wisdom of the inherited policy of non-involvement  
in old world affairs. Confident of our ability to work out our  
own destiny and jealously guarding our right to do so, we seek no part  
in directing the destinies of the old world. We do not mean to be en-  
tangled. We will accept no responsibility except as our own con-  
science and judgment in each instance may determine.""Our eyes never will be blinded to a developing menace, our ears never  
deaf to the call of civilization. We recognize the new order in the world,  
with the closer contacts which progress has wrought. We sense the feel-  
ing of the human heart for fellowship, fraternity and co-operation. We  
crave friendship and harbor no hate. But America, our America, the  
America founded on the foundation laid by the inspired fathers, can be a  
party to no permanent human alliance. It can enter into no political  
commitments, nor assume any economic obligations or subject our deci-  
sions to any other than our own authority.""We are ready to associate ourselves with the nations of the world  
for conference, for counsel to seek the common views of world opinion,  
to recommend a way to approximate disarmament and relieve the  
crushing burdens of military and naval establishments. . . . But  
every commitment must be made in the exercise of our national sov-  
ereignty.""Since freedom impelled and independence inspired and nationality ex-  
alted, a world super-government is contrary to everything we cherish and  
can have no sanction by our republic.""The unselfishness of those United States is a thing proven, our devo-  
tion to peace for ourselves and for the world, is well established, our con-  
cern for preserved civilization has had its impassioned and heroic expres-  
sion. There was no American failure to resist the attempted reversion of  
civilization, there will be no failure today or tomorrow.""When the governments of earth shall have established a freedom like  
our own and shall have sanctioned the pursuit of peace as we have prac-  
ticed it, I believe the last sorrow and the last faithful sacrifice of interna-  
tional warfare will be written.""Let me repeat for our nation, we shall give no people just cause to  
make war upon us. We hold no national prejudice. We entertain no  
spirit of revenge. We do not hate. We do not covet. We dream of  
no conquest, nor boast of armed prowess. If, despite this attitude, war  
is again forced upon us, I earnestly hope a way will be found which  
will unify our individual and collective strength and consecrate all  
America, materially and spiritually, body and soul, to national de-  
fense.""I can envision the ideal republic, where every man and woman is called  
under the flag with assignment to duty, for whatever service military or  
civil, the individual is best fitted; where we may call to universal service  
every plant, agency or facility, all in the sublime sacrifice for country and  
not one penny or war profit shall inure to the benefit of private individual,  
corporation or combination; but above all, the common shall flow into the  
defense chest of the nation. There is something inherently wrong, some-  
thing out of accord with the ideal of representative democracy, when one  
portion of our citizenship turns its activity to private gain amid defensive  
war while another is fighting, sacrificing or dying for national preservation.""We can reduce the abnormal expenditures and we will. We can strike  
at war taxation and we must. We must face the grim necessity, with full  
knowledge that the task is to be solved, and we must proceed with a full  
realization that no statute enacted by man can repeal the inexorable laws  
of nature. Our most dangerous tendency is to expect too much of govern-  
ment and at the same time do for it too little.""I wish for an America no less alert in guarding against dangers from  
within than it is watchful against enemies from without. Our fundamen-  
tal law recognizes no class, no group, no section. There must be none in leg-  
islation nor in administration. The supreme inspiration is the common  
weird.""If revolution insists in over-turning established order, let other  
peoples make the tragic experiment. There is no place for it in  
America.""I had rather submit our industrial controversies to the conference table  
in advance than to a settlement table after conflict and suffering.""Today, as never before, when peoples are seeking trade, restoration  
and expansion, we must adjust our tariffs to the new order.""I have taken the solemn oath of office on that passage of holy writ  
wherein it is asked, 'what doth the Lord require but to do justly and  
to love mercy and walk humbly with thy God.' This I plight to God and country."Simple Minded Congressmen  
Help Make Simple CeremonyInauguration Simplicity Was Carried Out to the Bitter End,  
Says Ring Lardner—But the Ambassadors' Uniforms Made  
Him Feel Like He Was at a Lodge Funeral; Harding Got  
His Speech Over All Right, But Some of Gags Were FamiliarBy RING W. LARDNER  
WASHINGTON, March 4.—Well, it's all over and everybody  
was here but Judge Landis. Mr.  
Harding is now the first lady of  
the land and Mrs. Denby will soon  
be the first lady of the sea, while  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are the last  
couple out. The idea of simplicity  
was carried out to the bitter end.  
Even when the new congressmen  
were sworn in they looked simple  
minded.When I entered the press gal-  
lery at 11:20 one of the first  
brother simps I seen was Hughie  
Fullerton, the dean of baseball  
mathematicians. Hughie came  
here under the impression that it  
was a sporting event. But in an  
instant he was generally all-  
ways know how his coming out,  
whereas in a sporting event they  
are an element of uncertainty  
unless its a wrestling match or a  
White Sox world series, or a  
football game at Yale.Thought He Was at Funeral.  
When Ring entered the ring,  
the retiring senators were being  
treated to some sweet words of  
farewell by hangover senators  
with their fingers crossed. The  
democratic side of the chamber  
was vacant, as it should be. Sen-  
ators of this party had given  
up their seats to cabinet  
members and the ambassadors  
from foreign lands. When the  
foreign diplomats came in and I  
seen their costumes I thought we  
was at the funeral of a prominent  
lodge man. The different dips  
were the grave yard uniform ofTRAPP SIGNS UP  
EMERGENCY BILLSSeven Measures Are Laws  
by His Hand During  
Chief's Absence

## THIS COUNTY BENEFITS

One Bill Raises Pay of County  
Attorney's Assistants  
for Two Counties

## BILL WOULD CHANGE TAXES

Each Assessor Would Divide  
His County Into Sections  
With Assessor for Each

By Associated Press Staff Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 4.—  
Two hours discussion resulted in the  
recommendation for passage in the  
Oklahoma house this afternoon of  
a bill changing the present method  
of assessing taxes. The bill directs  
each county assessor to divide his  
county into districts and assign some  
resident of each district as assessors  
for that district. Deputy county as-  
sessor are not now required to have  
residence in the section in which  
they work.Authors of the bill are W. W.  
Robertson, I. L. Harris, J. Horace  
Simpson, J. B. Smith, D. S. Hoover,  
A. E. Craver, R. C. Hardie and  
Bruce L. Kennan.Among bills introduced in the  
house today is one by W. E. Diney  
of Muskogee county, re-introduced,  
to provide a method for disposing  
of property of union graded school  
districts after dissolution of the dis-  
tricts.Another bill, by C. C. Platt of  
Payne county, would make an  
emergency appropriation of \$75,000  
for salaries and \$25,000 for main-  
tenance of the A. & M. college at  
Stillwater for this year.Seven bills, all carrying emer-  
gency clauses, were signed by Lieut-  
enant Governor M. E. Trapp today  
in the absence of Governor Robert-  
son, who is attending inauguration  
ceremonies in Washington, D. C.

## Takes Governor's Pay

The bills signed are: Senate bill  
25, fixing salaries of county officials  
in Logan county; senate bill 55 in-  
creasing salaries of assistant county  
attorneys in Oklahoma and Tulsa  
counties; senate bill 62, fixing the  
salary of the assistant county attor-  
ney of Pittsburg county; senate bill  
154, fixing salaries of deputy county  
officials in Hichey county; senate  
bill 151, legalizing the incorporation  
of Davis, Murray county, as a city;  
senate bill 264, abolishing the coun-  
ty court at Blanchard, McClain  
county, and senate bill 281, fixing  
the salaries of the county attorney  
and county judge of Garfield.The achievement of the session to-  
day of this senate was considered  
the advancement to the passage  
of senate bill 151, which com-  
pletes all the departmental appro-  
priations for 1922 and 1923. After  
divers attempts to reconsider and  
leave many items set out in the bill  
for further discussion, a motion to  
advance it won the approval of the  
senate shortly before adjournment.  
The senate has been at work on the  
bill since Tuesday. The total  
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## DEFENSE BILLS DEAD

Army Act Meets Pocket Veto and  
Navy Bill in Senate; Hospitaliza-  
tion Bill Signed.WASHINGTON, March 4.—The  
sixty-sixth congress passed peace-  
fully into history today with little  
of the flurry usually attendant to  
the hurly-burly of an inaugura-  
tion.The principal bills which failed  
were the army and navy appropri-  
ation bills and the immigration  
restriction bill. The army and navy  
appropriation measure met "pocket"  
veto by President Wilson, who failed  
to sign them, and the naval bill  
failed to get through in compliance  
with custom, waited upon congress  
in its final hour, waiting a few last  
minute measures. Among these  
were the sundry civil appropriation  
bill and the Langley bill appropriat-  
ing \$18,600,000 for hospitalization  
of former service men.

## STRANGE LIGHT IN THE SKY

Huge Greenish Formation, Possibly  
Comets, Observed by Many.A huge greenish light, appearing  
to be a formation of some gaseous  
substance in the shape of a great  
ball, was visible in the heavens  
southeast of Tulsa last night for  
about 15 minutes shortly after 11  
o'clock.Whether it was a meteor east off  
by a star or a peculiar collection of  
gas in the air is not known. It at-  
tracted considerable attention in  
Tulsa, a number of people who had  
seen it phoning The World. No re-  
ports were received by wire of the  
phenomenon being observed in other  
towns.Oklahomans Present  
Big Broom to HardingWASHINGTON, March 4.—Pres-  
ident Harding today was  
prepared for a "clean sweep."  
A delegation from Oklahoma  
led by Governor Frank Keown  
presented the largest broom in the world.  
The gigantic broom was manu-  
factured from Oklahoma broom  
corn.Harding Takes Charge as U. S. Chief;  
Wilson, Broken in Service, Steps Out;  
Inaugural Events Simple But Dramatic

## At the Helm

Warren G.  
Harding  
President of the United StatesWearisome Burden Shifted,  
Wilson Steps Off the Stage  
After Eight Stormy YearsWASHINGTON, March 4.—Eight  
stormy years in the presidency,  
filled with moments and scenes that  
will live forever in human history,  
ended today for Woodrow Wilson.  
"Just plain Woodrow Wilson now,"  
as he himself smilingly asserted.Under his own roof again as a  
private citizen, the former president  
took tonight with his burdens of  
state transferred to other shoulders,  
leaving a shouting and tumult of  
public place behind him. And  
through a day that taxed his brain  
physical powers greatly, he came  
smilingly and with a whimsical twist  
to his comments yet with no hint  
of regret in his retirement from public  
office.There was but one incident of the  
day when that cheerful mood  
seemed to fail, as he stood in the  
presidential room at the capitol, Wil-  
son had been telling Senator Knox  
that he would not witness in the  
senate the inauguration of Vice  
President Coolidge, as he doubted  
his ability, owing to the entrance of  
firmities, to negotiate the few steps  
he must climb."Senate Threw Me Down,"  
he said to Senator Knox, in  
reference to battles of the past, and  
the peace treaty, "but I am not go-  
ing to fall down."Someone called his attention to  
the fact that Senator Lodge had ar-  
rived as head of the joint committee  
in charge of the ceremony. The  
sixty-sixth congress stood ready for  
adjournment if he had no further  
communications to make to it.No smile for Lodge,  
Mr. Wilson turned toward the  
man who led the fight against the  
treaty. His face lost its smile and  
there was in his tone a touch of cool  
formality as he said: "I have no  
further communication to make. I  
appreciate your courtesy. Good  
morning."SOCIETY REGALED  
IN POLICE COURTMrs. Vanderbilt's Sister-  
in-Law Freed of Dis-  
orderly ChargeNEW YORK, March 4.—Society  
marched into police court today to  
hear Mrs. Richard T. Vanderbilt, sis-  
ter-in-law of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt,  
successfully defend herself against a  
technical charge of disorderly con-  
duct.

## THE WEATHER

TULSA, March 4.—Maximum 64, min-  
imum 41. Windy, generally fair.  
OKLAHOMA, Saturday generally fair,  
mild in northern portion, Sunday prob-  
ably clear, with a few clouds.  
ARKANSAS, Fair Saturday, mostly  
cloudy Sunday, partly cloudy, cooler in  
northern section.TODAY'S LOCAL EVENTS  
City Club, Hotel Tulsa, 12:15 p. m.Thousands Witness Harding's Taking of the Oath and  
Cheer New and Old Presidents Along Pennsylvania  
Avenue, But the Crowd Is Only a Fraction of What  
It Was in Former Years; Harding Revives Precedent  
Set by George Washington in Confering With Sen-  
ate in Executive Session; Goes to White House to  
Hang Up His Hat and Go to Work.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The reins of presidential  
authority passed from Woodrow Wilson to Warren G. Har-  
ding today in an inaugural ceremony at once the simplest and  
most dramatic of a generation.The drama centered about the retirement of Woodrow  
Wilson to private life. Insistent to the last moment that  
he would carry out a retiring president's customary part in  
the ceremonies, Mr. Wilson finally yielded to the pleading  
of relatives and to the warning of his physician that he might  
endanger his life, and only accompanied his successor to the  
capitol.As he descended from the white house portico to enter  
the waiting automobile, secret service men placed his feet on  
each descending step; when he left the car to enter the cap-  
itol he was practically lifted up a short flight of steps by  
an attendant and although he walked alone with the aid of a  
cane to the president's room where he signed bills, he told  
Senator Knox, chairman of the congressional inaugural com-  
mittee that he was not equal to participating in the cere-  
monies of inaugurating Vice President Coolidge in the senate  
chamber nor in the ceremony of inaugurating President Har-  
ding on the portico facing the plaza outside.WILSON DOESN'T GLANCE AT WHITE HOUSE  
AS HE PASSES IT WITH HARDINGAfter a few moments at the capitol Mr. Wilson went to his private  
home to become "plain Woodrow Wilson now," as he expressed it, and he  
never even glanced at the white house as he passed it on his way.Before Mr. Harding had been president an hour he has revived a  
precedent set by George Washington by conferring with the senate in  
executive session, submitting in person the nominations of his cabinet  
officers, all of which were immediately confirmed.Within another hour he had gone to the white house to "hang up his  
hat and go to work," as he himself often has said, and unlocked the white  
house gates which for four years had been closed to the public. The public  
celebrated the event by actually overrunning the grounds and peeping  
through the windows to see the new president in conference with cabinet  
officers.Mr. Harding took the oath of office at 1:18 p. m., exactly eight years  
to the minute from the time the same words of obligation were spoken  
by Mr. Wilson at his inauguration. The inaugural ceremonies, con-  
fined to Mr. Harding's white, were kept free from almost every show  
of the pomp and circumstance that usually surround the incoming of a  
chief executive. Thousands witnessed the oath and cheered the old and  
new presidents along Pennsylvania avenue, but the crowd was only a frac-  
tion of the customary inauguration throngs.TAKES OATH ON THE HILL, REED BY  
WASHINGTON AT FIRST AUGUST SERVICEOn the Bible read by George Washington at his first inauguration  
into office, and on a verse of scripture extolling the virtues of a humble  
faith in God, Mr. Harding pledged his best ability to the presidency. In  
his inaugural address he reaffirmed his reverence for the traditions of  
the fathers and reiterated his belief that the supreme task ahead was to  
bring the country back to normalcy.The inauguration ceremony took place as usual on a stand erected  
above the east steps of the capitol, but in marked contrast to previous  
inaugurations when thousands of seats were provided, all the distinguished  
company had to remain standing. Even the inaugural stand was much  
smaller than the one used in 1917, and the only regular on inaugu-  
ration which carried Mr. Harding's voice far out over the capital plaza  
and for the first time enabled thousands to hear the inaugural address.Day Dawns Clear, Cold.  
Inauguration day—the day on  
which Ohio sent the seventh of her  
sons into the white house—dawned  
clear and cold this morning. The  
temperature was not far from freez-  
ing and there was a stiff breeze  
whipping the flags that decorated  
Pennsylvania avenue and the gov-  
ernment buildings.It was typical Harding weather,  
in its lack of rain or other disagree-  
able features. Not since during the  
long campaign at Marion did rain  
fall on a front porch, and even then  
the temperature was not far from  
freezing and there was a stiff breeze  
whipping the flags that decorated  
Pennsylvania avenue and the gov-  
ernment buildings.A happy augury.  
There was a strange inauguration day  
for Washington. In other days the  
crowds moved steadily up and down  
the street all night long and dawn  
found many of them camping sleep-  
ing in the parks and along the main  
thoroughfares of the city.A tolling chair had been provided  
for the president at the capitol  
entrance but he declined it, and ad-  
ded only by his cane, made his way  
to the presidential room.The senate galleries and floor  
were packed before the hour of  
adjournment came. The diplomatic  
gallery was filled, and the three  
present wearing their respective reg-  
alia of state occasions.As the hour hand approached  
noon, the senate clock was turned  
back 15 minutes and the adjourn-  
ment making 25 minutes at-  
together.Charles Evans Hughes, the new  
secretary of State, criticized the  
chamber and took a seat on the  
floor. He was soon joined by Her-  
bert Hoover, the new secretary of  
commerce.Mrs. Harding, wife of the new  
president, entered the chamber at  
11:45 and took a seat in the pen-  
sion row, attended in blue and wear-  
ing a large blue hat, trimmed with  
feathers.President-elect Harding, chosen  
the senate chamber at 12:15, was  
greeted with a round of enthusi-  
astic applause from the floor and  
galleries.Vice President Coolidge was  
sworn in at 12:19 o'clock, the oath  
being administered by Vice Pres-  
ident Marshall, who immediately  
after the oath, began his speech. A  
wave of applause swept the floor  
and galleries as Coolidge, with  
right hand uplifted, became the  
vice president of United States.  
The applause was led by Massa-  
chusetts.

## Coolidge Is Sworn In

The lack of military display was  
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